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H.R.3120

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Stranahan House in Broward County, Florida, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. Wasserman Schultz (for herself, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Ms. Ros-Lehtinen, Mr. Lincoln Diaz-Balart of Florida, Mr. Wexler, Mr. Meek of Florida, Ms. Ginny Brown-Waite of Florida, Mr. Mack, Mr. Klein of Florida, Ms. Castor, and Mr. Mahoney of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- This Act may be cited as the "Stranahan House,
- 5 Trading Post and Campsite Historic Preservation Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 The Congress finds that—

- 1 (1) Frank and Ivy Stranahan were among the 2 first permanent non-Indian settlers to establish a 3 home and business in southeast Florida and are con-4 sidered the founding family of Fort Lauderdale, and 5 have had a river, street, school, and subdivision 6 named after them;
 - (2) Frank Stranahan was one of the founders and earliest elected officials in Fort Lauderdale and Broward County, Florida, one of the nation's fastest growing metropolitan areas with a population today of nearly 2 million people;
 - (3) Frank and Ivy Stranahan were named Great Floridians by the Florida Legislature in 2000 and former Interior Secretary Stewart Udall once honored Ivy Stranahan as the "first lady of Fort Lauderdale";
 - (4) the Stranahan House historical and archaeological site, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is one of the only Seminole trading post structures that remains preserved today in Florida;
 - (5) the Stranahan House, trading post and campsite located at 335 S.E. 6th Avenue and 500 East Las Olas Boulevard has been designated by the

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- 1 Fort Lauderdale city commission as a historic land-
- 2 mark site; and
- 3 (6) the Stranahan House, trading post and
- 4 campsite, which also contains prehistoric Tequesta
- 5 and later historic period archaeological remains, pre-
- 6 sents a valuable new opportunity to learn more
- 7 about the historical development of South Florida
- 8 and Everglades reclamation.

9 **SEC. 3. STUDY.**

- 10 (a) In General.—The Secretary of the Interior
- 11 (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Secretary") shall
- 12 conduct a special resource study of the Stranahan House,
- 13 trading post and camp historical and archaeological site
- 14 in Broward County, Florida. The site studied shall include
- 15 both the property on which the Stranahan House is lo-
- 16 cated at 335 S.E. 6th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- 17 33301, as well as the adjacent property, at 500 East Las
- 18 Olas Boulevard, where portions of the trading post and
- 19 the campsite were located.
- 20 (b) Criteria.—The Secretary shall conduct the
- 21 study under subsection (a) in accordance with section 8(c)
- 22 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5(c)).
- 23 (c) Report.—Not later than 3 years after the date
- 24 funds are made available for the study under this section,
- 25 the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural

- 1 Resources of the United States House of Representatives
- 2 and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
- 3 the United States Senate a report on the findings, conclu-
- 4 sions, and recommendations of the study.
- 5 SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- 6 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
- 7 as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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